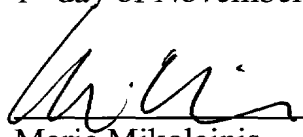


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2007, please enter the following in the above-identified application:

No Amendments to the Specification are made in this paper.

Response to Restriction/Election Requirement begins on page 2 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Claims are made in this paper. However, a listing of the claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are made in this paper.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated October 1, 2007, applicant herein elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, namely, claims 26-44 drawn to a method of separating a component from a metal-based composite.

The inventions of Group II, namely, claims 45 and 46 drawn to a titanium rich powder is herein withdrawn from further consideration as being directed toward a non-elected invention.